

Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2019

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Call to Order, Open Public Meeting Act Notice

Time and Place: 6:04 pm - PACS Paterson, 47 State Street, Paterson, NJ

Roll Call

Name	Title	Voting/Non- Voting	Present	Absent	Late Arrival
Madelka Osiecki	Board President	Voting	X		, and
Hector Jimenez	Board Vice President	Voting	Х		
Catherine Ventura	Board Secretary	Voting	Х		
Timothy J. Graham	Trustee	Voting	Х		
Cary D. Caraballo	Trustee	Voting	Х		
Dina Runcie	Trustee	Voting	X		
Regina Lauricella	Principal	Non-Voting	Х		

Also noted present:

- Marcy Bostwick, Executive Director
- Valerie Corner, School Business Administrator

Motion to approve today's agenda: APPROVED

Moved:	Catherine Ventura
Seconded:	Hector Jimenez

Madelka Osiecki	Х
Hector Jimenez	Х
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Х

Motion to approve the minutes from September 12, 2019: APPROVED

Moved:	Catherine Ventura
Seconded:	Cary Caraballo

Madelka Osiecki	abstained
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	X
Timothy J. Graham	X

Cary D. Caraballo	Χ
Dina Runcie	X

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve field trip requests: APPROVED

Moved:	Catherine Ventura
Seconded:	Madelka Osiecki

Madelka Osiecki	Χ
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	X

School Matters: Regina Lauricella

- Updates:
 - Urban garden now set up at Madison Street campus
 - Food exercise included media coverage (release forms collected)
- Attendance going well for the the past two months
 - o 97% → K, 1st, and 3rd
 - o 98% → 2nd grade
- 40 applications already submitted for next year

Special Education and ESL Presentation: Laura Kohler

- Due to growing ESL population, we are required to provide students with a high intensity ESL program
- Occupational Therapist and Speech and Language Pathologist providing services as well

Principal's Report: Regina Lauricella

- Renewal application update:
 - o Including information from annual report
 - Focusing on demonstrating access and equity and instructional practices
 - Providing overview of vision for curriculum and team-based model for middle school grade levels
- Renewal process interviews for board to take place on November 14th
- Renewal materials to be sent out to board by Regina for review
- Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act
 - No bullying incidents this year
 - Requirement to submit a self-assessment around this
 - Nurtured heart approach is a positive program that will be good for prevention as we grow
 - Character education classes taught by social workers

Governance/Finances

- Finance Committee: Dina Runcie
 - Continues to hold meetings to review finances
 - o Currently reviewing PEP/PACS service agreement
 - Next step: request a meeting with PEP to review questions
- Other Committees
 - o Facilities: beginning process of formalizing meetings to begin long-term facility search
 - HR: members will include Cary Caraballo, Madelka Osiecki, Gigo H. Lee-Taylor, and Debra Anderson
- NJSBA Board Training: all board members willing to attend Strategic Planning training on November 16th

PEP Update: Marcy Bostwick

- Facilities Update
 - Suggestion on including a finance person on facilities committee and to have committees work closely together
 - o Marcy seeking to meet with other charters in similar situations
 - Developing a strategy in the first meeting

Resolutions:

Motion to approve HIB: APPROVED

Moved:	Madelka Osiecki
Seconded:	Dina Runcie

Madelka Osiecki	Х
Hector Jimenez	Χ
Catherine Ventura	Χ
Timothy J. Graham	Χ
Cary D. Caraballo	Χ
Dina Runcie	Х

Motion to approve Dual Space: APPROVED

 Accommodations made in various spaces at Madison Street campus to ensure a classroom can serve multiple purposes

Moved:	Catherine Ventura
Seconded:	Madelka Osiecki

Madelka Osiecki	Х
Hector Jimenez	Х
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Χ

Motion to approve Hiring of Subs: APPROVED

Madelka Osiecki	X
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Х

Roll Call Vote

Catherine Ventura	X
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Х

Motion to approve Occupational Therapist: APPROVED

Roll Call Vote	
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Madelka Osiecki	X
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Χ
Timothy J. Graham	X
Cary D. Caraballo	X
Dina Runcie	Χ

Motion to approve Renewal Application K-8 Expansion Request: APPROVED

Moved:	Madelka Osiecki
Seconded:	Hector Jimenez

Madelka Osiecki	Χ
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Χ

Public Comments

- Parent of two students/President of Parent Org:
 - Submitted a proposal to the Board for a request of funds from parent organization account for submission of EIN
- Parent of 2nd grade student
 - Commented positively on Ms. Kohler's contribution to the school and on the importance of providing special education services in charters
 - o Reiterated goal to continue engaging parents and provide trainings

Motion to enter into executive session: APPROVED

Moved:	Madelka Osiecki
Seconded:	Hector Jimenez

Madelka Osiecki	X
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	X
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Χ

Entered Executive Session: 7:23 PM

Motion to exit executive session: APPROVED

Moved:	Madelka Osiecki
Seconded:	Dina Runcie

Madelka Osiecki	X
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Х

Exited Executive Session: 7:49 PM

Motion to adjourn: APPROVED

Moved:	Madelka Osiecki
Seconded:	Cary Caraballo

Madelka Osiecki	X
Hector Jimenez	X
Catherine Ventura	Х
Timothy J. Graham	Х
Cary D. Caraballo	Х
Dina Runcie	Х

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 PM